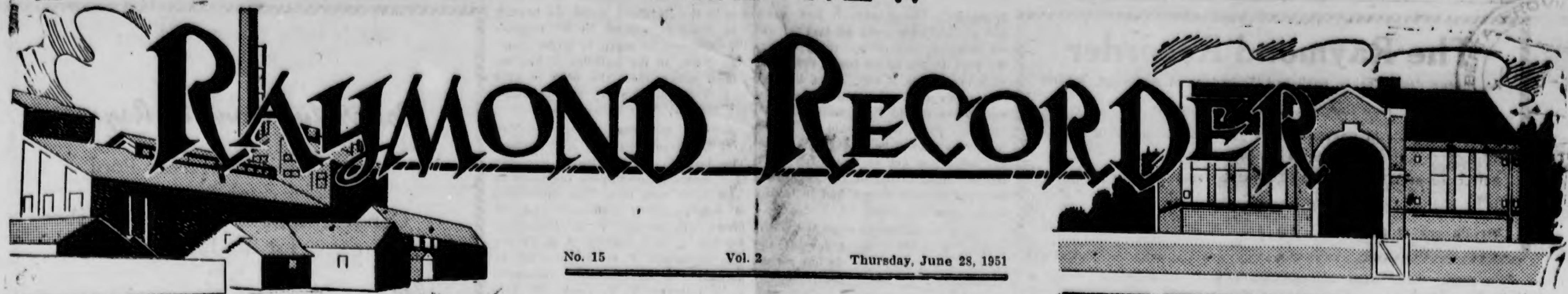


THE NEW



THE RAYMOND LION

The hour is late—the work yet to do—the footing soggy and mushy—the sky (doughtful). A little boy asked me sometime ago if the Weatherman had a head????

Lethbridge has had a very unfortunate experience with the unpredictable elements and Jubilee Celebrations—are we in for a similar experience?

The members of the Lions Club have been down to the grounds in between showers, in between down pours and in between lukewarm supports—but there is much to be done yet.

One of the big features of this year's attraction will be another night show. We brought Stan Francis and a cast of Stars two years ago and had a fine performance. We are having two big nights this year—Saturday and Monday. This is a Variety Show of the best entertainment Musical—serious and comic; acrobats, cowboys and some surprise features. Another big attraction, not tried before is a mammoth Fireworks display after the night show. This is always a big affair for old and young. We assure you this will be well worth staying to see.

June - Only 88 voters cast a ballot regarding the floating of debentures for \$10,000.00 for the erection of the new Town Hall. 65 votes in favor and 23 against.

July - Mayor Cope received the first airmail letter in town this week. It was from the Mayor of London, Ontario.

I REMEMBER

Mrs. Emily (B. F.) Rolfsen

We were among the first to come to Raymond. We with George and John Oler and Chas. Tillock and others from American Fork, Utah, had received a call from President Lorenzo Snow of the L. D. S. Church to go to Alberta for a period of five years. On July 24, 1901, we left our home in Utah for Canada.

We came by train reaching Stirling the latter part of July. I remember that we lived in a tent for seven weeks before coming to Raymond to live.

I remember coming to Raymond to the Dedication Services of the townsite. I remember the grass was knee high and we waded through it to the hub or center where people from Magrath, Raymond and Stirling had gathered for the memorable occasion.

I remember that we had very little means when we reached Canada. There were my husband, my self and our two children Ray and Basil. One day Apostle Taylor came to our tent and said: "You folks are not very comfortable here, wouldn't you like to go to Raymond to live?" I said "Yes, I would". I don't know why I had that feeling, there were no houses, no friends, no conveniences but still I wanted to be there and help build the town. We immediately began to build a house and about the middle of September we moved in. The house was not lined, there were no windows and we had to put a quilt up for a door, and the pipe to the stove had to stick out of the window opening but we were thankful that we had a roof over our heads as tent life was cold and miserable. I remember that Mrs. Munns had a cow and every day she would send milk over for my two little children.

April - The streets have been a little bit muddy since the snow storm Monday night. A few holes have been made and some cars went in as far as the fenders and body would permit.



C. W. Lamb

The man pictured above is 78 years old and has spent more time in Raymond than any man in the world. When asked about his history he said

I REMEMBER

I left Farmington, Utah, May 9th, 1898 for Cardston where we landed June 15th. My brother and I came by wagon and horses over a rough wagon trail. I remember that I walked most of the way. My sweetheart came later and we were married January 9th, 1900. On October 9th, our first baby was born. (Floyd) The next year we came to Raymond and set up a tent on a spot South of Town, about where Jos. Hicks now lives. I remember it was cold and stormy and pretty bleak looking, nothing but a stretch of prairie grass all around us. No buildings, no houses, no nothing. I remember Floyd, our baby was the only baby in Raymond for some time. September 8th, six days after our arrival, I went to work to contract and build Charles McCarthy's store and hotel, and two months later to the day a meeting was held in this building where J. W. Knight was put in Bishop of the Raymond Ward. I was in this meeting.

I also contracted to build King Bros. Store, the Massey Harris Building, Cooper, Lamb and Company, and many others.

I remember that the mail was put in a large box in McCarthy's store where everyone would come and get their own.

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August - The Raymond Stampede held in Lethbridge is over and according to those in charge there is a nice bank balance. However, it is to be hoped that next year it will be held in Raymond.

Hungarian Hall Gets A New Floor

Last week Alex Nemeth, who is the only remaining member of the first group of immigrants from Hungary to arrive here in May of 1926, was busy doing a lot of hammering at the Hungarian Hall. Upon investigating we found Mr. Nemeth up to his ears in work doing a fine job of renewing the floor joists and first flooring of the hall.

The building was constructed in 1926 and the dampness under the floor since that time had caused the joists and first floor to rot. Provisions for ventilation have now been made so that the job should last for a long time now.

The hardwood flooring was still in good shape so Mr. Nemeth had very carefully taken each board up and numbered it so that it could be re-laid in its old position.

Maybe I'm just lazy (Roxie says no maybe) but that appears to me to be an arduous task for one man to take on. Anyway when the job is done and a few more improvements are made, the Hall will again be put to good use.

October - Howard Rasmussen is leaving shortly for Salt Lake and then on to the North Central States Mission.

An Invitation to You

The Public is cordially invited to attend the

Sunday Evening Service

commemorating

Raymond's 50th Anniversary

Sunday, July 1st, at 7 o'clock
at the
Stake House

Program under the direction of the four
Raymond Bishops — J. O. Hicken, 1st Ward; Wm. Jensen, 4th Ward;
Rulon Dahl, 3rd Ward; J. G. Snow 4th Ward.

Conducted by Bishop J. O. Hicken.

Music Conductor — C. F. Tolstrup

Organist — Kenneth L. Hicken

PROGRAMME

Pipe Organ Prelude (6:40-7:00) Kenneth L. Hicken

Opening Song — O Canada! Congregation

Invocation Christian Peterson

Address of Welcome Mayor Wm. Jensen

Ladies' Chorus representing the Pioneer Women, under the direction of Fannie Walker

Patriotic Tribute H. Dean Rolfsen

Pipe Organ Solo LeRoi Stone

A Tribute to the Pioneer Women Elizabeth King

Expressions from Special Guests

Vocal Trio Under the direction of Beth Walker

Speech of the Evening Pres. J. H. Walker

Closing Song God Be With Us Till We Meet Again

Benediction Bert W. Kirkham

I REMEMBER

Ben Stringham

I remember on the 12th. of March I landed in Raymond in a terrible blizzard and there being a large company of us—and no houses, we suffered much, for it was very cold. Some said the weather dropped down to 20 below, others reported that it dropped down to forty below zero. Many went to the meeting house and at night the floor was completely covered with beds. The Mounties, learning of the situation brought over from Lethbridge many tents, so that Raymond became a white city. I know that we were going to a new town country brought along a tent which I pitched in a lumber yard next to the railroad. I put down a few boards for a floor and for five days the snow did not melt more than two inches from the stove. I had my wife and two small children.

We suffered much from the cold. My wife never got over it. It broke her heart and in 1910 I took her back to our old home in Provo, Utah where she died in 1917.

As soon as the storm broke I selected a spot and put our tent on it and went to building a house for my father-in-law, Wm. Probert.

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January '29 - Maises Kate Allred and Aminta Earl are the first Raymond students to pass Departmental Examinations with honors.

On the occasion of this memorable event we wish to extend to one and all our sincere appreciation for your attendance and support in marking our Golden Jubilee

It is our heartfelt desire that everyone join in the celebration

We join with the rest of Raymond's citizens in spreading the

Welcome Mat

to all visitors — we hope you enjoy yourselves

The Mayor and Council
Town of Raymond

January - The King's Canadians are playing at the Dinner Dances at the new Marquis Ballroom in Lethbridge each Wednesday and Saturday evening.

I REMEMBER

L. H. Holbrook, who was Raymond's First Sunday School Superintendent

Of course we all know that the Knight family and others associated with them were the major contributors to the development of Raymond. I do not know how colonizers could have been more helpful than were Uncle Jesse, Ray, Will, and their wives. Naturally they wished their undertaking to succeed, but I believe uppermost they were actuated by deep religious motives, and sincere wish to be benefactors rather than profiteers. You Bro. and Sis King and the others with you who have remained to carry on and witness from a small beginning a healthy, well rooted, happy and prosperous community grow, are the integral factors who are entitled to the major commendation. Ours was brief and at best just a beginning. If we aided in making the proper start, and some minor contributions in our roles we are indeed happy. To us the early experiences were among our most enjoyable and constructive.

In youth fortunately we are all dreamers; the world seems to hold unlimited possibilities for us, our skies are in the main azure blue with few fleeting clouds; the world enticing and inviting, we feel our strength life is zestful and exhilarating. Perhaps this is as it should be if we are healthy and normal. While there pioneering we were all young in spirit and with few exceptions, in years. We faced life much as here stated. We were like one happy family; some obstacles, needful for strength and development, but soon forgotten and lost in happy anticipations. We were deeply interested in the well being of each other. Those attachments as is the case in all pioneering as witnessed in a greater degree in the stories of our own pioneering ancestors, are among our sweetest and most enduring. Who knows but we were then living life at its best and highest levels. In advancing years not all our fanciful dreams come true. There have been some storms, bereavements and disappointments come to all of us. As one writer stated "in every life some rain must fall", but withhold if we have kept our plane on the beam that guides us safely home, life continues sweet and living worthwhile. It is often noted with graying hair, more and more we are given to retrospection and reflection. When youthful and active on life's stage, if we have played well our parts, memories are welcome, bringing much comfort and satisfaction.

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The Town Has a Band

Organizing and instructing a Band takes some doing and that person has a lot of credit due him. So saying, we doff our cap and take a deep bow in the direction of an energetic young man by the name of Grant Erickson.

Grant came here fresh from the faculty of Education as the teacher for Grade Six in the local school. Keenly interested in music, the young man saw an opportunity to do some work in that field and although it took some effort to obtain permission from the Dept. of Education, he finally succeeded in forming a High School Band.

One of the first and biggest obstacles encountered was the fact that too many students wanted to be in the band for the number of instruments available. This problem was met by some of the students losing interest and by some of them buying their own horns. A twenty-five dollar donation from the Legion Ladies made things a little easier too.

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I REMEMBER

June N. Allred

It is a pleasure for me to recall a few of my early experiences in connection with the Town of Raymond because after fifty years I am still very proud to be a citizen of Raymond and Canada.

My first home was in Monroe, Utah but as there was no more land to be had there and the family was growing, my parents brought their six sons and myself to Canada to make our home.

We arrived in Stirling October 9th 1901 and I remember that we were all vaccinated that very night before we left the station, by Dr. DeVeber of Lethbridge.

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I REMEMBER

J. Wm. Knight

I remember that in the year 1900, Jesse Knight and his sons, Ray and Will (Oscar Raymond and Jesse William) examined a tract of land later known as the Bar K-2 consisting of a township and a half adjoining the Clarence Eldredge tract on the south and very near Charlie McCarthy's ranch. Our examination was made in January of that year and the purchase consummated later. We stayed at Charlie McCarthy's place over night and his glowing account of the possibilities led us to believe that we would make no mistake in buying the land for a ranch.

Cattle

In the spring of 1900, after we had acquired the ranch, we purchased four thousand head of dogie steers in Winnipeg. Ray Knight and Dick Kinsey did the buying of these cattle and J. Wm. Knight had a crew at Lethbridge to receive and brand the stock as they came in. It was raining practically all the time when these cattle were being unloaded at Lethbridge. The difficulties of handling so many cattle in such bad weather were almost beyond endurance. Our men were soaked from the drenching rain and our horses were mostly all fagged out. Mrs. Charlie McCarthy (Wilson's mother) was worried over her young son in these conditions and wrote Wilson to come home for she was afraid he would get pneumonia. He showed me the letter and said, "What shall I do?". I told him I thought he should follow her advice. He was only about 14 years old, but he was really one of the finest men I had to depend upon. In about two hours after our talk he gave me his answer saying, "I am going to stay—there is too much Irish in me to quit you now," and his decision certainly lifted a load from my mind at that trying time. Dick Kinsey came from Winnipeg and saw the jam we were in and wired Ray to quit buying and come and take care of the ones we already had. It was a great relief to all of us. We trailed this herd from Lethbridge to the ranch, about 20 miles, and landed that night about ten o'clock. It was the day before Dominion Day. We had no bedding and the boys pulled their saddles and slept in the blankets until morning. Some left and went to Cardston to celebrate Dominion Day. Such was part of the beginning of the Knight venture in Canada. As years passed this ranch under the management of Ray Knight became the largest in the Dominion, at one time having over 20,000 head of cattle.

Agriculture and Sugar Industry

Jesse Knight had purchased a large tract of land from the Northwest Irrigation Company, which included the town of Raymond and lands adjoining on the South to the Milk River. Mr. C. A. Magrath was President and Manager of the Irrigation company. With the assistance of John W. Taylor and Charlie McCarthy a purchase of 250,000 acres of land was agreed upon and a forfeiture of \$50,000 was given as a guarantee that Jesse Knight would build a Sugar Factory at Raymond and first break up 8,000 (Continued on page seven)

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Fifty years—that's longer than most since that time people of almost all of us have lived.

In that fifty years many changes have come about. The pile of buffalo skulls that were once used to mark the corner of a man's property has been replaced, in many instances, by fine modern homes that would look very suitable in the big city. Cars replace the horse except for a few days each year when the Stampede comes to town and no one ever rides 25 miles in a democrat to go to a dance. Things have changed and most of the changes have been for the better.

The one thing to remain the same is the western brand of hospitality—especially at Stampede time. No one remains a stranger long when rodeo time is at hand. Strangers speak to strangers and a general feeling of friendliness is very apparent.

In the fifty years of Raymond's history things have not always run smoothly or progressed as rapidly as could have been, but progress has always been made.

The town was settled by members of the Latter Day Saint Church who were called by their president to leave their homes in Utah and come to the bleak and dreary prairie, and issue we planned on having only six of Raymond. Opening in a small of

pages but, like Topsy, it just grew and grew. There were so many, what we thought, interesting things about the past to put in we found ourselves with very little, if any, space for current news so we decided to make it up mostly of old time material. All the local news that should have been in this paper will be in our next issue. We hope you get as much fun reading the news items of the year 1929 between the ads as we had in taking them from our files.

Please permit me to express our appreciation to Mrs. King for all the help she has given us during recent weeks.

January 29 - Charles Selman, early pioneer, age 81 passed away recently.

The Story of Banking in Raymond

It was to a small and vigorous community that the Bank of Montreal first came to in September of 1902. At that time, Raymond, with its population of only 250, was chiefly noted for ranching. Wheat raising and beet farming had not been tried hereabouts. However, the B of M opened its doors with confidence, knowing that, between the community's location at the entrance of a rich district and the enterprising spirit of its citizens, Raymond had a good prospect of progress.

The confidence the B of M placed in Raymond and her people has been fully justified. Little by little, through good times and bad, Raymond has grown to about 12 times her 1902 population. From small beginnings, it has become a go-ahead trading centre for the adjacent communities.

The Bank of Montreal is proud of the part it has taken in the progress of Raymond. Opening in a small of

place in the Raymond Hotel, the branch was twice compelled, by its expanding business, to move to larger quarters. Now, in the building it has occupied since 1946, the bank is able to give Raymond every modern banking facility.

Fifteen managers have presided over the branch since it first opened. The late C. S. M. Brown was the first manager, occupying the position from 1902 until 1904. The succession of public-spirited managers who followed him include: F. D. Anderson; the late E. S. J. Martin; J. M. Clancy also deceased; F. G. Woods; W. H. Jackson; S. M. Connolly, deceased; F. G. Belcher; T. Y. Love; the late W. T. R. Henderson; C. C. Watson; C. D. Compton; R. Wells; A. C. King and J. F. Grant.

It was during Mr. King's tenure of office that the present branch building was erected and opened for business. In April of 1950 Mr. King took over the office at Olds and Mr. J. F. Grant, the present manager, was appointed to succeed him.

Mr. Grant is a well known figure in community and sports activities in Raymond. He is an ardent golfer and curler and has won several high honors in local curling bonspiels.

The far-seeing spirit of the local B of M branch stems from the pioneer character of the parent bank, founded in Montreal in 1817. Today there are over 550 B of M offices strategically located in every section of the country, with 63 of them in this Province. This network, combined with the Bank's long established business connections around the world, enables the Raymond Branch to offer its customers a complete banking service for personal and business needs. Mr. Grant can call immediately on B of M head office departments for any specialized information that is required.

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Biographies are mostly written for the benefit of later generations. In writing them I feel only the good is worth preserving and passing on. Can we paraphrase Shakespeare a little and say: "The good men do should live after them, the evil should be interred with their bones."

Pardon me for again reverting to Uncle Jesse Knight. To me he is one of the truly great men in my life, became the possessor of great wealth. He had few school opportunities, but born and sound and wholesome philosophy. His vast means with which he once was blessed, he always said he held as trustee for the benefit of others and to our Church. His unbounded generosity typified his devotion to this high ideal.

Our experiences were not all on the rosy side, but all contributed to our development. We can tell some pioneering experiences to our grandchildren with more satisfaction and complacency than we enjoyed in their enactment. Examples of our own follows: We had just brought from Utah twelve fine orchard horses in the fall of the first crop of heat grown on the land Uncle Jesse had plowed, but parceled out among the settlers. The yield had exceeded expectations, and some of the small containing granaries were not built strong enough. When filled to capacity they gave way at the seams and corners and the stored wheat filtered through. With our teams we expected to be important farmers in the coming year. Upon their arrival late that fall we turned them loose in the fine enclosed pasture. Unfortunately they found the grain and all foundered, several dying.

Some of our efforts were on the lighter side. I remember we hauled culinary water from the central place where it had been piped from a small spring. We kept ours in a barrel just inside the door. Our houses were not the warmest or our heating facilities the best. In the most severe weather the water often froze solid. During the coldest of these spells, if we wanted a drink we cut it from the barrel with a hatchet and then placed it on the stove to melt.

Once we Mrs. mixed her bread and put it under the small heating stove to rise, before retiring for the night. After the fire went out the bread froze solid. Again I had to use the hatchet.

One severely cold Sunday morning a Swiss conver came to Church with the bridge of his nose all skinned. I believe his name was John Hirsche. I asked him what happened and he replied that others had told him to rub it with snow. From the looks of the nose he evidently did, and with coarse snow at that. In spite of all these transitory things, we were never happier than when in Raymond.

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The Alberta Wheat Pool

In March everyone was discussing the pros and cons of the advisability of building a new Town Hall.

January - A very charming reception in honor of Mrs. F. T. Holt was given at the home of her daughter Mrs. Emma Dahl by her daughters "Raymond Recorder" today.



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March - Chief VanOrman and his fire-fighting crew had the new fire engine out for a practice drill last Saturday. The boys look quite sporty just completed a course in this art in their new uniforms. April - Miss Ora Hicken has accepted a position of Marcellist at the Rex Barber Shop. Miss Hicken has

Calgary.

Reduced Fares Offered

Low fares to Calgary at Stampede time from all stations in Saskatchewan and Alberta and in B.C. as far west as Vancouver and Prince Rupert were announced recently by R. H. Powers, vice-chairman of the Canadian Passenger Assn. Stampede dates this year are July 9 to July 14 and the low fares start two days before them and return limit goes two days after the big show.

The special fares will be normal fare and one-half, first class or coach, for the round trip with the minimum for adults or children being 30 cents. Dates of sale are July 7 to July 14, providing passengers can arrive in Calgary not later than 5 p.m. on July 14. Return limit is July 16 or the first available train thereafter. If there is no train service on July 16.

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BRAKES—

- (a) Check stopping distance
- (b) Examine lines and cylinders for leaks (visual)
- (c) Examine rods and clevis pins for wear

LIGHTS—

- (a) Check headlamps for proper aiming and distribution of light
- (b) Tail and stoplamps must work and show a red light to the rear
- (c) All lighting equipment on car must work

MIRROR—

- (a) Check mirror for proper mounting and clear vision

WINDSHIELD WIPERS—

- (a) Windshield wipers must work properly and clean windshield for clear vision.

HORN—

- (a) Horn must be audible for at least 200 feet

STEERING AND WHEELS—

- (a) Check steering assembly for wear and excessive play



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The story of our town's sidewalks since the first concrete was poured is one we can all be proud of. For they write of over 2,500 people, "old" and "new" who now call this community home . . . of ushering hundreds of new workers to new factories . . . of leading happy children to new schools . . . shoppers to new stores . . . and the faithful to new churches.

As one of Raymond's oldest residents, we of the B of M have been proud to watch this story unfold and to have contributed to its writing. For we came to Raymond back in 1902, when Raymond citizens numbered but 200 odd. Industry was just beginning to appreciate the town's many advantages and facilities. Since then we have witnessed, and shared in, Raymond's growth into one of Canada's successful communities.

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I REMEMBER

Amy Neel Spackman

My father John Neel and my mother Cora Walker Neel came to Raymond from Oakley Summit, Utah in November 1905. We came first to Stirling on the Narrow Gauge Railroad that ran from Lethbridge to Sweetgrass.

There were eight of us; six children and my parents Uncle Will Lamb and Uncle Charles Neel met us at the station at Stirling. I had my first sleigh ride that evening to Raymond where we stayed with the Lambs for a while.

It as the next spring that the Raymond Sugar Co. started breaking the land South of the old Sugar Factory. Apostle John W. Taylor had charge of the work and he gave the job of breaking the land to my father and Uncle Charles.

In those days one was lucky to have enough horses for that kind of work, and my father had very few horses, so he bought sixteen head of oxen that were used to the plow and eight head together in teams, each team ahead of the other. They were guided by a pull on a rope that was tied to their horns. I remember we took turns riding the lead ox and thought it was great fun to say hah and gee when the oxen got out of the furrow.

At noon the eight oxen were put in a corral to feed and while the men went to their lunch, we children took turns watching the animals to see that they didn't break down the corral fence and get away. After lunch the other oxen were put to the plow. This went on from day to day until the land was all plowed.

I remember Apostle Taylor coming to our home. We lived that summer in a Cook Car that was placed just south of the Sugar Factory. He came several times and brought his young son with him. Mother always invited them in for lunch but the boy was so timid he wouldn't eat with the family so my brother and sister and I would play with him. We had gay times together, sliding down the hay in the big barn and playing hide and seek, until the older folks had finished their lunch. Then we would have ours.

We had a very happy summer and we children learned to love the visits of Apostle Taylor and his son.

When snow came that fall we moved back to Raymond and to school.

February - To make room for an extension of their Dry Goods and Clothing Dept, the Broadway Store offered a 20% reduction on all groceries.

I REMEMBER

June N. Allred

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Although father bought city lots in Raymond, we built our first home on a farm four miles from town. It was a delightful experience living in the wide open spaces where we could see the beautiful sun-rises and sunsets after being enclosed by mountains all our lives.

The road to town was across the open prairie, over Badger holes, Fort Benton Trails and Buffalo Wallers.

I shall never forget coming to town and picking up mail out of a wooden box in the Charlie McCarty store and reading off addresses on everyone else's mail too. We were always anxious for mail from Utah.

In town we would visit our new cousin, Jessie Nilsson named after Uncle Jessie Knight because she was the first baby born in Raymond, by the way, my mother was that baby's first Doctor and Nurse.

I would ride horse back side-ways to Sunday School and I remember that Jennie Knight was our first Sunday School Teacher.

The First Dominion Day Celebration was held on the block where Emma Dahl's home now stands. We were very excited that day because Emma had a pony to run in the races.

The first Bride in Raymond was Kate Cunningham and my parents let me spend part of the winter with that lonely girl, who had left her home in Salt Lake City to make her home amid shavings and brothers-in-law.

When we first went to school in Mission School in Salt Lake and then Raymond, we children were often late on to the Mexican Mission.

and Edgar would explain that the reason we were late was because we had to thaw out our hands and feet and very likely noses first, at the Albert Nilsson home before we came on to school. I kept on with the school until the year 1912 when I was among the first Graduates.

Our home in town, which father built in 1902, was then the largest home to be built. In this home was Raymond's first Printing office and the first town paper was published. Mother was the first Mother of the Band, as it was under her direction that the Band was organized and in our home the first practices were held.

My father and Dick Kinsey Sr. supplied a school for boys (who had missed part of their education) in Farming and Ranching. Lambert Pack was the Instructor.

I remember our home was known for its hospitality. Mother took keen pleasure in making a good time for other people; cooking big dinners to feed them, and writing many beautiful poems to express the sentiments of the Community. Father was a Carpenter and made anything to help a neighbor, from a yoke for their oxen or a casket to lay away a loved one.

There are so many things I can remember about Raymond in the early days and I am sure all the early pioneers will say with me "We still honor the land of our birth, but to Canada we will loyal be."

February - A Missionary Farewell party was held Friday for Kay Redd who left the following Monday for the Mexican Mission.

Congratulations
to the
Town of Raymond
and
best wishes
for
continued progress

Raymond Cleaners

See
Jack Ackland
at the
Raymond Farm Equipment
for all types of
motor and machinery repairs
Expert work done on
Gas and Diesel Tractors

Anderson Plumbing and Heating

After working at the Factory and for Wm. Paris for six years, "Jimmy" started in business for himself in 1938 in what is now Stone's Show room and from there he moved across the street to a part of what is now the Coffee Shop. In 1948 Jimmie, who is a Master Plumber, bought the old Bank of Montreal building and moved his shop there. Plumbing and all types of sheet metal work are the mainstay of the business but Jimmie has a line of fixtures and of paint on hand as well as some Beatty appliances.

Comes pay-day, Mr. Anderson takes what is left after he pays his four men—he also collects the rent from the three modern suites that occupy the top floor of the building.

Raymond Farm Equipment

In 1946 Elmo and Leonard Christensen bought this business from Ralph Byrne. Elmo, who is manager, is a very likeable fellow who always has a glad word for his friends—he has no enemies. The Farm Equipment is headquarters in Raymond for "Farmhand" machinery and General Motors Products—new and used. Until recently Elmo operated the repair department himself with the help of "Peter" but in May of this year the shop was leased to Jack Ackland.

Ralph Transport

George and Fred started their business in 1919 when their younger brothers, Casey and Mutt, were still in school. The draying business in town and the storing and selling of ice kept all of them pretty busy and in 1922 when they started trucking from Lebridge it was a case of every hand helping. The trucks of those days would cause quite a stir now.

In 1935 the brothers expanded their holdings when they bought their farm South of town.

At the present time they have two trucks running between here and Lebridge. Most days sees one of the trucks returning to the city for a second load which goes to show that business in Raymond is far from dead.

Graham Motor and Machine Co.

Twenty-seven years ago a young fellow by the name of Robert T. Graham was selling machinery and cars in the Milk River district. The cars he sold were Fords supplied to him by L. D. King.

In 1927 Raymond caught the young businessman's attention and he moved here and started selling Chevrolet and Studebaker cars. Two of the many Sales Awards he has received came that year in the form of the GM Trophy and an Award from the Studebaker people for topping the sales list of sub-dealers. The first trucks in the Del Bonita district were sold by Mr. Graham.

1950 also brought honor to Mr. Graham, who has been dealer for Allis Chalmers for the past fourteen years when he won the A-C Sales Contest for all of Canada. A beautiful gold watch came with the Award.

The present building of the Company was erected in 1945 and contains a modern repair department and machine shop. Other lines carried are CIL Paint, Hudson cars and Waterloo machinery.

Mr. Graham is also known for his fine home and buildings on the Eastern outskirts of the town and the barn dances held in his hay loft. Most of those shetland ponies being ridden around town come from his farm where he has them of all descriptions

For
Fire — Automobile — Bond
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See

J. G. SNOW
Phone 70 Box 313

OUR BUSINESSES TODAY

Greep's Electric

Nineteen years ago Bill Greep was working at the electrical business with his home as headquarters and his sons as helpers. In 1934 the business was moved up town to a spot in what is now the Coffee Shop and after five years there it was moved back to the Greep home. 1947 saw the Greep family business moved to its present building where Bill and his son Jim and Wally Brown can supply you with Frididaire Appliances, Stewart-Warner Radios and all kinds of electrical fittings and appliances. House wiring and radio repairs are the firm's specialty. Bill has had almost 28 years experience in the radio and electrical business.

Both Service Clubs in town benefit from the Greep family, with Jim doing his bit with the Rotarians and Bill attending Lions meetings regularly where he is often called on to show his musical talents at the piano.

Hall's Barber Shop

In 1929 there was a barber shop operated by Jesse Sechrist, located in a corner of what is now the Raymond Coffee Shop. This was the beginning of the Torsorial parlor now operated by Frank Hall and his assistant Jerry Witbeck. Two moves were required to bring the shop to its present location—in 1931 it was moved to a corner of the present Stone Store and in 1935 it came to rest where it is today.

Hervey's Blacksmithing and Welding

"Under the spreading chestnut tree"

Raymond has no chestnut trees but it does have the smithy. Jack Hervey came to town in 1907 when the town was just struggling out of the sharehoders in those first few years cradle. His first employer was Jim were: Heber S. Allen, Charles McHawkins and in 1914 he opened his own shop in a spot just East of the W. Kirkham, Jesse Knight, Raymond Second Ward Chapel. From there the Knight, John A. Silver, Wm A. Redd anvil was shifted to a spot South of H. C. Jacobs' Frank Fairbanks, C. A. Magrath, John M. Cannon, D. A. Bennett.

Jack was fortunate enough to have a couple of sons who were very helpful in the operation of the shop. Jim is still with his father in their well equipped establishment and Marshall has been operating an insulating business for the past three years.

C. W. Lamb

The carpentry business is no stranger to Mr. Lamb, who, at the age of 78 years has spent more time in Raymond than any other man in the world.

Mr. Lamb's work in Canada started in Cardston in the year 1898 and three years later he came to Raymond to build the first commercial buildings here—the Mercantile, the Hotel, the Livery Barn and Butcher Shop were built under his supervision.

In 1902 Mr. Lamb started a lumber Yard for George Rogers of Lethbridge and in 1910 when the Citizen's Lumber Co. took over the yard, he transferred to that Company where he stayed until 1933.

Since that time he has devoted his time to carpentry work and selling insurance.

Fromm's Jewelry

The beginning of this shop was in Germany many years ago where Geo. Fromm had a fine watch repairing business. The family finally arrived in Raymond, via USA, and settled on a farm outside the town and it was not long before Mr. Fromm had all the watches he could fix.

In 1931 the family moved to town and a shop was set up in the present Raymond Cleaners location where, until 1941, the business was conducted. It was then that the present location was constructed and the business moved.

Mose has taken over most of the work from his father, but Mr. Fromm still does a little watch repairing when the mood strikes him.

Besides jewellery and watch repairing, the store houses musical instruments, photograph equipment, Philco and Marconi Radios, Philco and Prestoline refrigerators and Deep Freeze Home Freezers.

Photo Studio

Mose also operates a photo studio and dark room to record not only portraits but almost every major happening in the town for the pleasure of the future generations.

Renew your subscription to the "Raymond Recorder" today.

Jack Ackland

Raymond Pharmacy

The story of the Raymond Pharmacy and Percy Cope, the man who runs it, would take volumes but we will give it to you in capsule form—the favored ruse of druggists.

Percy W. Cope first opened a drug store in a building that stood close by the Raymond Mercantile in the year 1923. In November of 1926 the store burned down and the druggist laid in a new stock in what is now part of King Motors and on July 1st 1927 moved his stock into the present building that was constructed by J. U. Allred.

In 1939 Mr. Cope was joined in the business by his son-in-law, Herbe Wilde who, along with the man who was almost perpetual Mayor of Raymond, is always ready to serve you with drugs, stationery, Toiletries and Magazines.

Herbe and Mr. Cope are members of the Lions Club with "P. W." being one of the few honorary members in town.

Karl F. Wilde

started in business here in 1912 as dealer for the John Deere Plow Co. in what is now Stone's Show Room. The following year the cinder-brick building was constructed and the business location changed to its present site. In 1946 the Dodge-DeSoto Agency was acquired.

Today at the modern garage of Karl W. Wilde you can get expert mechanical service, Sturdle Oils and Grease, and "77" gasoline as well as all John Deere machines and Dodge-DeSoto cars. Karl and four other men comprise the staff.

Karl who is a Past President of the Lions Club and manager of the Raymond Stampede, is and has been a valuable worker for community betterment.

Chris Tollesstrup

Farming and building combined to take up a lot of Mr. Tollesstrup's time from 1902, when he came from Utah, until 1938 when he started a carpentry shop in what is now Joe's Pool Hall. During his years as a farmer Chris was manager of some of the top threshing crews in the area.

1942 saw Mr. Tollesstrup, his tools and his ever-present love of music installed in his present shop. Besides his other activities Mr. Tollesstrup is widely known as composer, director and student of music.

Quality Market

The Stone family bought the Quality from the Fairbanks Bros in 1918 and since that time Roy has been managing the store. The need for more storage space prompted the distribution of several lines of construction of the warehouse in the

machinery, the major line being IHC products, the handling of which was continued by the Mercantile for 46 years. D. A. Bennett was connected and vegetables, and deliver same to

Roy and four helpers are always on

departments for a time and Andrew Walton supervised from 1909 to 1918 when Leo Hardy took over. Later Wilmer Wiggill successfully operated

both the Implement Department as well as the Lumber Department which had been added. These two were separated in 1939 and the Implement Department was sold to G. N. Wells in October 1950.

The Dry Goods Department was managed from the beginning for 35 years by Albert Kirkham (Bert). In 1937, upon his retirement, the supervision was taken over by Ira McBride who very capably manages this department at present.

Wm. C. Stone managed the Hardware and Grocery Departments for twenty years with Thomas Allen taking over the Grocery Department and Frank Shaw the Hardware department in 1929. The Grocery Department is today very expertly managed by Mr. Allen. In 1945 the Hardware Department was taken over from William Fairbanks who succeeded Mr. Shaw, year the business was enlarged to the modern building they have today. They became dealers for Chrysler Plymouth and Fargo that year too.

Roy bought the Bake Shop from Ted Abel and Jack Evans in 1948 in the same spot it now occupies—making Roy's one of the few businesses that hasn't been moved since the change of ownership.

Two young ladies and Mr. Muraki turn out all types of baked goodies and bread—the latter comes to you either sliced or plain.

Melchin Motors

The Melchin family took over the garage business operated by Hyrum Fromm in March of 1945. The same

year the business was enlarged to the modern building they have today. They became dealers for Chrysler Plymouth and Fargo that year too.

"99" gas and oil products in bulk or retail may be obtained at Melchin Motors, as can special tune-up work on your car or truck. Special equipment has been installed and two of their mechanics have taken courses in Detroit for this work.

Last year another phase of business was started when the Melchins went into the Transport business, you up either where you meet him or they now have six big auto transports that carry cars from the factories to the West.

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Larson's Insurance

From 1923 until 1931 Ross Larson sold Life Insurance but at that time he switched to fire and casualty. For policies with the Portage LaPrairie or Saskatchewan Mutual as well as some Board companies, Ross can fix you up either where you meet him or at his office in the Raymond Billiard building.

May the progress and prosperity of the Raymond businesses continue

Raymond Cleaners

Prior to September 1945 Nolan Mc Mullen operated the Raymond Cleaners at which time the George Turner family moved here from Magrath and took over the business. Modern equipment was installed making the local cleaning establishment one of the best in this size can be truly proud.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner, daughter Janet, and Norma Dahl make up the staff at the present time but a son Lawrence, is expected home shortly from the National Institute of Cleaning and Dyeing at Silver Springs, Maryland. George is a member of the National Institute.

Central Meat Market

Since getting the information on the business activities of Henry Piepgrass we have been informed that he has been given notice to vacate his premises and since there is no suitable location available for another site Henry has written "finis" to business for the present.

In 1942 the Piepgrass meat business was started in the Locker Plant Building and two years later it was moved to the Post Office Building. In 1946 E. E. Jensen bought the shop and after operating it for two years sold it back to Henry who, like all butchers, has patiently listened to complaints about the price of meat since.

In January of this year Henry and Dan Halliday bought the Quality Meat Market in Cardston and after Henry spent a short time there that business was leased to Leonard Payne.

King Motors

After L. D. King left the merchant business he started a garage where Joe's Pool Hall now stands. That was in 1918 and thirteen years later he bought his present garage building from Geo. W. Green and remodelled the whole affair. Where at one time there was a bank now stands the gas pumps. A store and other offices were moved to make way for the expanding garage.

In 1920 Mr. King took on the Ford Agency which he has held since. He was presented with a 25 year Award from that Company in 1945 and that along with another 25 year Award from the Texaco Co., have an honored place in his office. In the 33 years Mr. King has been dealer for Ford, approximately 600 cars and trucks have been sold from his office. His son, Shirley, has been his right hand man for quite a number of years.

For Ford cars and trucks and Texaco gas and oil products and competent and courteous service, King Motors is your answer.

Larsen's Electric

After being employed at the Factory for several years, Owen Larsen started his own business in a small shop that was replaced last year by the modern building that today houses his sheet metal and electrical contracting equipment as well as the fine show room for his retail stock.

Northern Electric appliances and radios, Leonard refrigerators, Gain-A-Day washers and ironers and many other articles find a home at the attractive shop of Larsen's Electric.

Dahl Motors

Eleven years ago three Dahl brothers Rulon, Karl and Lloyd, took over the Red Head Service Station and Bulk Station. Six years later they replaced the small building housing the Service Station with the fine modern garage they have today. In that same year, 1946, they became local agents for Noble Cultivators and since that time they have added the J. I. Case Agency and Kirchner Levellers and Porter Ditchers to their expanding business. Earlier this summer they were given a dealership for Mercury-Lincoln and Meteor cars.

Karl and Lloyd manage the garage and employ six men to serve the wants of their many customers.

Vanderbilt Bros.

Jack started his Asphalt Roofing business in 1943 and operated with the help of casual labor until 1947 when his brother, Pete, joined him after spending eight years in the Netherlands and Imperial armies.

Jack and Pete travel many miles and to quite distant places to do roofing jobs of high quality.

Congratulations

to Raymond
on her 50th birthday

**RAYMOND
BAKE SHOP**
CRISPY CRUST BREAD
Phone 38 Raymond

Burn's Shoe Store

In October 1945, Mrs. Geneva P. Larsen and her daughter, Mrs. Verda Gibb, opened Raymond's first exclusive shoe store in what is now Geo. Hayashi's tailor shop. The store opened with a full line of high-grade medium priced shoes, a policy still standing as evidenced by the fact that Slater, Savage, Susan Casuals and Durabilt are the names most seen at the store.

As the business grew, more space was needed so in March of last year the store and stock was moved to its present location where Mrs. Larson or her part time helper can fit you out in a pair of good shoes.

Bacon's Billiard Room

One of the most popular stopping places for indoor sportmen in Raymond is this establishment that has been in business since 1930. Lawrence Bacon who took over after the death of his father now operates the four-table parlor.

G. N. Wells

"The Mayor of Maybutt" expanded his business holdings in November of last year when he bought the International Harvester Agency from the Raymond Mercantile Co. Ltd. The IHC business was nothing new to Gilbert, who has been their dealer in Stirling for the past twelve years.

The repair department of the local Agency was taken over on March 1st of this year by Don Clemmons, an expert mechanic who came here from Vulcan.

Mr. Wells, who is a member of the local Rotary Club, offers a full line of trucks, tractors, machinery and refrigerators of the IHC line. A son, Charles, operates a general store and Post Office in Maybutt.

Stone's Service Store

Another one of Raymond's successful businesses is Stone's Service Store. Will Stone, having worked for more than twenty years for the Raymond Mercantile, and having a family of boys, decided to go into business in order to build up a business for himself and a future for his sons, so in 1929 in September, Will and Ken opened up a Grocery and Hardware Store in the Allard building now occupied by Thompson Furniture. Roy was in California on a mission at that time, and returned in the following Spring to also go into the business as a partner.

A few years passed and the building was found to be too small, so in order to alleviate the "growing pains" they moved to larger quarters which they now occupy. As time went on, in spite of the "hungry thirties", even more room was needed so they purchased a garage and placed it at the rear of the store to be used as a warehouse. Last year Stone

THE CITY OF LETHBRIDGE
congratulates the
TOWN OF RAYMOND
on having attained your
FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Your progressive outlook and importance in the prosperous area surrounding you, have been a large factor in the great development of Southern Alberta.

From one neighbor to another, we wish all your citizens, prosperity and happiness in the years to come

L. S. Turcotte
Mayor

A. L. H. Somerville
City Manager

Greetings to Raymond
on her 50th Anniversary

We have Faith in her Future

J. O. Hicken - Sun Life Agent

Sugar City Motors and J. L. Mehew

Joe's Pool Room

1919 was the year the Mehew name connected itself to a business here the "Star Billiards" and gets a lot of when Jack and Charlie bought a fun out of it. In 1936 he bought the Blacksmith Shop from John Hyde and Pool Hall and Bowling Alley from Bill Wheeler. In 1942 he moved out of the building that has since been replaced by Larsen's Electric, and moved into his present location—the two Bowling Alleys were disposed of at that time. Since then two pool tables have been added.

Joe acts as an auxiliary Post Office for Japanese mail. If the Postmaster doesn't know of any person with a strange sounding name, he puts it in Joe's box.

Raymond Billiards

The old O'Brien Block that stood on Bob Graham's corner was the first home of Ross Larson's pool palace in the year 1923 and 24. The next year the present building was purchased and the four-table hall now in use was set up. Linden Larson, brother of the owner, is manager.

As it has been aptly put by one satisfied customer, "If it has to do with machines or metals, take it to the Mehew's".

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the people and Town of Raymond
on the memorable occasion of their
Golden Anniversary

We appreciate your patronage since 1919
and sincerely trust we may continue to be of service to you

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to the
Town of Raymond
on her half-century of Progress

Raymond Agencies and Hancock Dairy

Birthday Greetings
to our town

The progress of a town may be judged by the progress of its citizens
May we go forward together

Graham Motor & Machine Co.

Jack and Jim

at

Hervey's Blacksmith Shop
extend their
Best Wishes to All
on this happy occasion

The United Church

Sacred Heart Church

The United Church and Manse was built in Raymond some time prior to 1907 in the South West part of Town of a Catholic Church became imperative. The present church built in the congregation and the Church Board early spring of that year, was made decided they would like the Church possible by the financial aid of the Bishop of Calgary and the voluntary help of the parishioners. On June 14th 1927 the church was blessed and dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus by His Excellency, The Most Rev. J. T. Kidd of Calgary.

About five years ago, as the attendance was increasing, the people decided upon an addition to the building. This was placed on the back, a structure 20 ft. by 32 ft., and is now being used for extra class rooms.

As the group is still increasing, they plan on another addition 30 ft. by 60 ft. at an expense of about \$8,000.00. Work will be started when final plans are completed.

L.D.S. Church

The story of the Mormon Church in Raymond goes back fifty years. The first meeting was called in November of 1901 and the Raymond Ward was organized five days later with J. Wm. Knight as the first Bishop and Joseph Bevan and Ephriam Hicks as his Councillors.

The membership of the Church has continued to grow from the first necessitating the division of the Wards on two occasions. In 1912 the first division took place with John F. Anderson and J. W. Evans chosen as Bishops. In October of 1947 the two Wards were divided again and J. O. Hicken, Wm. Jensen, Rulon Dahl and J. Golden Snow were chosen as Bishops.

The Mormon Church maintains two beautiful chapels here, the First and Fourth Wards meet at the Stake House and the other Wards meet in what is known as the Second Ward Chapel. The Church owned, until recently, the Opera House where many social gatherings are held throughout the year. Some of the most interesting music and dances in the world can be seen and heard at the Temple.

We are sorry that space does not permit us to print these sketches of all the places of business in this paper. The rest of them and the local news that should have been in this week's paper will be found in our next issue.

Max's Barber Shop

After the Japanese barber moved out in 1933 Vely Heggie left Hall's Barber Shop to open his own business which he operated until his death in January of last year. At that time his son took over the shop who is also filling in for his dad in Raymond's Sporting circle. The shoe shine chair, the only one in town, is looked after by Max's son, Morris, who has already won a name for himself as a boxer.

Canada Rock Wool Sales

Since 1946, when Arch Terry started this business here, the firm has insulated 1,500 buildings. At first the insulating wool was shipped in from the States but it was not long before a plant at Calgary was supplying this material. Arch has four trucks and eight men to carry on the business from Hanna to the Southern Border and from B. C. to Saskatchewan.

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congratulates her sister town

RAYMOND

"The Sugar City"

on the occasion of her Fiftieth Birthday

In that half century the people of Raymond have demonstrated a degree of energy and enterprise that has made the area one of the most productive in Alberta.

E. Pingree Tanner, Sr.
Mayor

J. T. Steele
Sec.-Treas.

We wish Success

to
the Town of Raymond, the people in it
and the
Golden Jubilee Celebration

You are invited to make your meal headquarters at

The York Cafe

York Cafe

George Hayashi

Mr. and Mrs. Mori came from Vancouver in 1949 and took over the 35 years experience. George came York Cafe from "Chuck" and "Moon" from his tailor shop in Victoria in Extensive alterations were made and 1947 and up until early this month modern equipment has been installed carried on his business at his home to make the York one of the most popular meeting and eating places in King Motors and anyone wishing to town. Last summer an air conditioner was put in and this year a walk-in made-to-measure suit should call and refrigerator was added. Their home see George, made ice cream is a popular thing with both young and old.

Utah Cafe

The Tadokora family bought the Utah from Jack Wong in 1947 and have since made many improvements. Alden and Lowell McNeely combine talents and efforts to offer "Quick-Way" excavating work to the people over, is the manager.

The Japanese people are a credit to the community and by their hard work and thrifty ways are building up their businesses and the town.

April - The first talkie picture show "Abies Irish Rose" was shown at the Capitol. Music was supplied by a 75 piece orchestra.

Hancock Dairy

C. E. Hancock started his dairy in 1908 and from that time until this there have been very few (if any) times when the Hancock Dairy was unable to supply a customer. He was one of the first dairy operators to deliver milk in bottles.

His son, Alma, bought the dairy in 1941 and since that time many improvements have been made. A new plant was built in 1945 and a year later a pasteurizing unit was installed. At the present time the dairy herd numbers 30. Modern refrigeration completes the arrangement that makes the local dairy one of the best. Government standards are met and government regulations strictly adhered to.

Happy Birthday to the Town

and

best wishes for the future

to everyone in it

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to the People and Town of Raymond

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Best Wishes

to

the People and Town of Raymond

on the celebration of their

Golden Anniversary

Canada Rock Wool Sales

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Arch Terry

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Canadian Pacific too celebrates an Anniversary this year. 1951 is the sixty-second year of Canadian Pacific service to the west . . . A service that today includes Railways, Steamships, Airlines, Hotels, Communications, and Express

Canadian Pacific

Raymond Mercantile Co. Ltd.

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The Lumber Department was expanded in 1939 to include the business of the Citizen's Lumber Co., with Gerald J. Gibb as manager. This department was later taken over by Harry McLean, an old timer in the lumber business, whose years of experience speak for themselves.

The general management was transferred from Mr. McLean to Heber S. Allen who became president of the company upon moving to Raymond from Cardston in January of 1904. Mr. H. C. Jacobs became his manager a position which he held until 1909. Mr. D. A. Bennett before this time was employed as a sales clerk and supervisor, and was now appointed Secretary Treasurer and Manager, a position which he held until 1918. Shortly thereafter Heber F. Allen, son of Pres. Heber S. Allen came into the company to assist in the management. Heber S. Allen remained as President of the company until his passing away in September 1944, when he was replaced as President and General Manager by Heber F. Allen the present manager who is known as a man actively interested in civic and Church affairs and almost all sports, particularly curling and golf.

The institution has grown from the early setting to its present status as one of Alberta's most progressive department stores, being based upon Sound Business Principles.

The management greatly acknowledges the abilities of the past and present department supervisors as well as all of the employees. It is the efficiency of the staff with the complete loyalty and co-operation of the buying public which has built this institution to its present position.

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May the town and people
of
Raymond
enjoy another fifty years of success

THE BROADWAY STORE

February - Last week local Thespians staged 'Pickles' a light Opera in tractors that have arrived here recently. This was the first royalty comedy, the old grey mare is going to get a life-long pension.

Birthday Greetings

The Town of Raymond

on her

Golden Anniversary

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and

G. F. Anderson

DENTISTS

RAYMOND - PHONE 48

Congratulations

to
the Town and the School Board
for their success in the past and best wishes for the future

C. W. LAMB

I REMEMBER

J. Wm. Knight
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acres of sod land for beets. When it came to breaking the land, we found it difficult to get capable help and it looked like we might fail to meet the time limit; so Jesse Knight sent his son Ray back to Utah to purchase some big horses and some plows. He bought a trainload of horses and the plows and shipped them into Alberta free of duty and in time to fulfill the plowing part of the contract. As the land was plowed it was divided into 10 acre tracts and each farmer was allowed to purchase ten acres of beet land in the townsite and as much other acreage as he wished outside of the townsite.

A feature of the settlement was the fencing of a vast tract around Raymond and was known as the town's Community Fence. This was to keep the cattle from eating the planted crops. Jesse Knight took notes from those unable to pay their share of the Community Fence. Some were paid. People came in so fast and had no land ready for crops that they were allowed to plant each ten acre tract into wheat first.

I remember James Allred and his fine family took an important part in the settling of Raymond. He was called on by the Bishop to make a few remarks in meeting, and in the course of his talk said, "This is the first time in my life that I have lost my wheat field." He had marked the corners of his ten acres with buffalo heads and others had done the same. When he went out to look at his crop there was one vast field, so he said, "I'll have to wait until others cut theirs so I can find mine."

Jesse Knight completed the sugar factory as agreed and so began the first sugar industry in the Dominion of Canada. Today there are three great sugar plants all doing a wonderful business; and I think it might be said that the factory at Taber is one of the most modern sugar plants in the Western world.

So we might go on with this story to great length reciting many important events that have taken place at Raymond and vicinity. Little was known about the possibility of oil and gas in the province of Alberta, and today it stands out as one of the most productive industries of the Province, the future of which is almost beyond conception.

Church and Community

I well remember that on a certain trip from the ranch to Raymond, my wife and I met Charlie McCarthy and his wife who had attended a meeting held on the prairie at Raymond; and as he approached us he took off his hat and shouted "Hurrah, for the new Bishop." He informed me that I had been chosen as the first L. D. S. Bishop of Raymond, which was a great surprise to my wife and I. President Card, John W. Taylor, and President Heber Allen had attended this organization meeting with, of course, many other residents of the new town that was being built.

People were living in tents and partially constructed houses at this time. Most of the houses were of lumber and the price of lumber was \$14. per thousand. The McCarthy's were the first to build a hotel and business in Raymond. The King brothers also were among the first to go into the mercantile business. A drug store was established and other merchants made the town the handy place to shop.

My brother, Ray, played a very prominent part in Rodeo activities and in the development of the east acreage surrounding Raymond. I believe he will always be revered as one of the great pioneers and builders of Raymond.

I remember John W. Taylor said in a sermon at Raymond that the time would come when we would eat breakfast in Salt Lake and lunch at Lethbridge. My wife and I about two years ago had the pleasure of fulfilling this prediction.

We are looking forward to meeting many of our old friends during this 50th year celebration. We have always had a great interest in the success of the people who first settled in Raymond.

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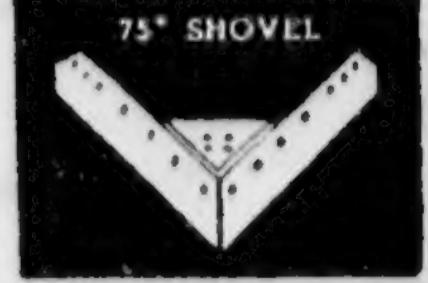
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August - Nearly 300 people, representing Raymond's entire population met at the Opera House Monday night to honor Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Mitchell who are leaving to make their home in Utah.

October - Mrs. Zabriskie, Mrs. S. B. Card, Mrs. Gaetz, Mrs. Leach, Mrs. Frank Taylor, Mrs. Hodge and Mrs. C. Watson, members of the Sugar City Golf Club entered a golf tournament last weekend.

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Local Happenings

Of Years Gone By

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News items taken from the Lethbridge Herald of the year 1908

March 12 - Raymond is planning a District Exhibit at the Dominion Fair at Calgary, and a \$5,000 grant is sought from the town council to aid in the project. B. S. Young addressed the town council in connection with

it.

April 6 - J. T. Smellie of Raymond shipped two carloads of oats to Calgary.

April 11 - A group of Japanese immigrants are leasing sugar beet land at Raymond.

R. J. Gordon, Civil Engineer, passed through the city (Lethbridge) enroute to Calgary.

May 16 - R. H. McDuffee is planning to leave Raymond for Vancouver where he expects to open a drugstore

May 28 - Ray Knight, in an interview stated that the Sugar Co. ranch would have 2,000 and 3,000 calves this year. The 85 Japanese immigrants at Raymond have agreed to raise 1,000 acres of sugar beets, Mr. Knight said.

June 19 - F. B. Rolfsen is the architect of the new school at Coaldale.

July 2 - B. S. Young passed through the city enroute to Calgary.

July 18 - The output at the Sugar Factory was 4,673,000 pounds for 1907 and it has all been sold. An order for ten cars cannot be filled.

July 22 - Manager Jacobs of the Raymond Mercantile is a visitor in Lethbridge.

July 30 - Six carloads of raw sugar from Germany have been received by the Knight Sugar Company.

August 29 - B. F. Keillor of Raymond, principal of the public school is going to Toronto to study Medicine

August 31 - D. H. Elton has sold the Raymond Rustler to Fred Ford, late of the Western Stationery Co.

October 2 - The Lethbridge Iron-works shipped a car load of steel to Raymond for the building of the new Opera House.

November 3 - Twenty-four car loads of cattle from the Knight Sugar Co. passed through the city enroute to the Old Country.

November 20 - It is expected that the Raymond Opera House, one of the finest in the West, will be ready for use in two months.

News items taken from The Raymond Rustler July 30th, 1909 - Fred Ford, Editor.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fisher sanitation.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ellison, a daughter, July 20th.

July - Motorist should remember that it's against the law to run a car with the cut out open.

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